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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
Botella, J.R.

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated April 23, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please renumber pages 9/1 of the original specification consecutively starting with number 10. Please amend the specification as indicated in the enclosed marked-up copy of the original specification.

REMARKS

The Specification has been amended to renumber the pages to delete the use of page number 9/1 and 9/2, to remove the second occurrence of page number 9, and to renumber the pages consecutively.

Applicant also enclosed a copy of a "marked-up" original specification to indicate